Mr. A. Eachara Menon.— Have the Government stopped selling timber to any other agency after the contract with these people?

Mr. T. Narayana Menon.—I do not follow the question. There is no other agency.

Dr. A. R. Menon.—Do you pay any rate of interest on the money deposited with you?

Mr. T. Narayana Menon.—No.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Is any interest charged on the security paid by the contractor?

Mr. T. Narayana Menon.—No.

Tramway—transport charges for timber.

302. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) the capacity of a Tramway bogie;

(2) what is the transport charge for a candy of 12 19/27 cft. of first class timber;

(3) and what is the charge for a 5 ton bogie of scantlings of the same sort of timber?

Mr. T. Narayana Menon.—(1) 5 tons or 250 cft.

(2) Re. 0—3—6 per candy a mile. Logs of 35' and above will be charged double the above rate.

(3) For a 5 ton bogie of scantlings no rate has been fixed specifically; but for spokes and felloes and poravats the rates for a 5 ton bogie are:—

	Rs.
Section I ..	8
Section II ..	12
Section III ..	16

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—What is the transport charge for a candy of timber from Parambikulam to Chalakkudi?

Mr. T. Narayana Menon.—I do not know whether the Member means from the terminus to Chalakkudi.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Timber transported by this Trust from Parambikulam to Chalakkudi.

Mr. T. Narayana Menon.—It comes to 10 and odd rupees per candy for first class timber and for jungle-wood 7 and odd.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—What is the charge for a bogie of scantlings?

Mr. T. Narayana Menon.—As is stated here, there is no specific charge.

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Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—What is the charge generally paid by the Trust?

Mr. T. Narayana Menon.—It is Rs. 35 a bogie for teak and rose-wood and Rs. 25 for jungle-wood.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—For how many candies?

Mr. T. Narayana Menon.—It is not taken under the standard of candies but for the whole quantity.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—What is the capacity of a bogie, how many candies?

Mr. T. Narayana Menon.—The whole will come to about 120 candies.

Sale of timber to Chinnan Rowther—realisation of dues.

303. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to state whether they realised any part of the advance paid to Mr. C. T. Chinnan Rowther for the collection of wind-fallen trees from Echipara Beat in 1105 ;

(2) the quantity of timber contracted for collection;

(3) the quantity collected;

(4) the quantity sold;

(5) and the value realised?

Mr. T. Narayana Menon.—(1) Nothing has been advanced. The amount paid represents interim payment of the collection charges. Hence the question of realisation of the amount paid does not arise.

(2) About 1,400 cds.

(3) 886 candies.

(4) 43 candies.

(5) Rs. 774.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—(1) What is the amount of interim payment of this Rowther?

Mr. T. Narayana Menon.—Rs. 4,300.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—How much of this amount is realised? What action has the Government taken to realise the balance amount?

Mr. T. Narayana Menon.—Rs. 4,300 represents the interim payment of the collection charges of timber. But Rs. 774 is the amount realised by the sale of a very small quantity of the timber collected.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—When was this collected?

Mr. T. Narayana Menon.—In 1105.

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